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Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith information that the Office may wish to consider in examination of the subject application. Material submitted for consideration is listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08.

The relevance of the several foreign language documents can be appreciated from their English-language abstracts that Applicants submit. Applicants also note that U.S. Patent No. 5,903,781 is the U.S. counter part to DE19720513. The relevance of DE19720513 can be appreciated from the disclosure contained in U.S. Patent No. 5,903,781.

Respectfully submitted,

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